## RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

## **15 NOVEMBER 2006**

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Health Policy Forum, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

**Board members in attendance were:** 

Francis Connor, DDS, Chairman
Michael Rubinstein, DDS
Henry Levin, DMD, Vice -Chairman
Richard Glick, DDS
Andrew Molak, DMD
Mary Lou Buonaccorsi
Bernard Manchester
Kathleen Gazzola, RDH, Secretary
Joseph Box, DMD
Virginia Paine

Staff members in attendance were: Others in attendance were:

Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator Dr. Robin Lawrence

Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel Valarie Cellantano, RIDA

Board members not in attendance:

**John Smith** 

Upon review of the minutes of the 18 October 2006 meeting two corrections were noted. The minutes are hereby amended to reflect that Mrs. Rusack was not in attendance at that Board meeting and Ms. Buonaccorsi was not in attendance at the Rules and Regulations Sub-Committee meeting held on 17 October 2006.

The Chairman, called for a motion to approve the "Open Minutes" of the 18 October 2006 meeting as amended. Upon motion of Dr. Box, seconded by Mrs. Gazzola, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as amended.

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**Dental Licensing Sub-Committee:** 

Dr. Glick reported that he had reviewed the application and credentials of the following candidate and recommends him for

licensure:

Katina A. Spadoni, DDS National Board & Nerb (87)

LoyolaUniversity 5/87

Licensed in Illinois, Iowa

Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Mrs. Paine, it was Voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individual a licenses to practice dentistry in the State of Rhode Island.

The Chairman advised the Board that Dr. Steven Black had been granted a probationary license

**Dental Hygiene Licensing Sub-Committee:** 

Mrs. Rusack reported that after reviewing the applications and credentials of the following candidates, it was determined that they meet the qualifications for licensure. And recommends the following candidates for licensure:

Lori Ann Colby National Board & Nerb Community College of RI 2006

Cheryl Hays National Board & FL State Board Tunxis Community College 1989

Upon motion of Ms. Paine, seconded by Dr. Molak, it was Voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individuals licensed to practice dental hygiene.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the "Open Session" and enter into "Closed Executive Session" for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the "Open Meeting Law", so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Dr. Box, seconded by Mr. Manchester, the Board voted unanimously to enter into "Executive Session" at 8:40 a.m.

Dr. Lawrence and Ms. Cellantano recused themselves from the meeting at this time.

The Board returned to "Open Session" at 9:10 a.m.

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At this time, Dr. Lawrence and Ms. Cellantano returned to the open meeting.

Dr. Connor requested that any decisions ratified as well as, any public business discussed during the "Closed Executive Session" be made public for the record, to be disclosed in the "Open Meeting".

## **Decisions Ratified in Closed Session**

There were no decisions ratified, nor any public business discussed, during the Closed Executive Session to be reported.

## **Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes**

The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the "Closed Executive Session" of 18 October 2006 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Box, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the minutes.

At this time Dr. Connor reported that he had attended the ADA annual meeting and advised the Board that licensing of foreign trained dentists appears to be a main topic on the horizon.

Mrs. Buonaccorsi reported that she had attended the ADA's Citizens' Advocacy Meeting. She advised that the meeting was very informative with the topics ranging from access to dental care versus standard of care, as well as, the need for mandated ethics courses.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 20 December 2006 in the Director's Conference (Room 401). Upon motion of Dr. Glick, seconded by Dr. Box, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis Connor, DDS, Chairman RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry